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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : L. DUMOUTIER, et al.

Serial No. : Divisional of 09/419,568

Filed : Herewith

For : ISOLATED NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES WHICH ENCODE T  
CELL INDUCIBLE FACTORS (TIFs), THE PROTEINS  
ENCODED, AND USES THEREOF

Art Unit : To Be Assigned

Examiner : To Be Assigned

December 29, 2000

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY  
AMENDMENT**

SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend this application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Page 1, line 2: after "is" add -- a continuation of Serial No. 09/419,568, filed October 18, 1999, which is --

**IN THE CLAIMS**

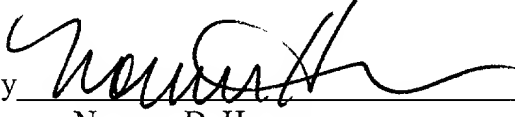
Cancel claims 2, 5, 6, 9, 12, 13, 17 and 20-49 without prejudice.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3, 4, 7, 8, 10, 11, 14, 16, 18 & 19 are pending. These relate to subject matter not allowed in the parent case.

Respectfully submitted,

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